Earlier this year, Rep. Roy Blunt and I introduced the Americans in Uniform Act. The bill included reforms that improve the lives of volunteers who served their country as military reservists. Last night, parts of our bill passed the House and will be enacted into law as part of the Defense Authorization bill. One key reform gives companies who employ reservists a potential edge in competition for federal work. With this reform, we want more and more employers to hire and retain Americans who are "twice a citizen" -- working in their communities, and then when needed, for the defense of our nation.